

JURORS TO GET KING EVIDENCE

District Attorney Swann Will Seek Indictments in Mystery Case Today.

(By the International News Service.) New York, Sept. 16.—District Attorney Swann announced today that his office now possesses sufficient evidence to make a presentation before the grand jury tomorrow which, he confidently believes, will lead to indictments in the King case. Assistant District Attorney Dooling tonight made a preliminary investigation here into the relations of Gaston B. Means and the late Mrs. Maude A. King, the wealthy widow who was shot to death at Concord, N. C., spent the whole of today and most of the evening working upon certain aspects of the investigation.

"Indictments will surely follow our presentation of the facts to the grand jury," declared Mr. Dooling tonight. "It was learned that Anton Means, Gaston B. Means' brother, who arrived here last week, and his secretary, Henry Detsch, have both been served with subpoenas to appear before the grand jury."

Hours were required today for Mr. Dooling to go through the great mass of papers seized during the raids upon the apartment at 1155 Park avenue, and whip them into shape for handling tomorrow before the grand jury.

Mr. Dooling expects to leave New York during the week to go to Concord, where he will give to the North Carolina authorities all the aid possible in untangling the mystery surrounding the death of the wealthy widow. Part of the evidence collected here by him is to be taken to the Southern city when he goes.

Referring to the documents he had seized in the Means apartment, Mr. Dooling said tonight:

"This is a veritable gold mine. When the real story is told it will read like a tale from the Arabian Nights."

"Means left no stone unturned to prove the validity of the alleged newly discovered will, by the probate of which he promised to make Mrs. King the richest woman in the United States."

"He had investigated the entire history of John C. King, Mrs. King's first husband, and the history of most of King's friends and business associates. In fact, he never made the acquaintance of a friend or associate of King but that he spent much money and time in his investigation."

"The copy of the will which has come into our possession is a carbon copy made at the time the original was typed."

TO AID MEN IN NAVY DESPITE OBJECTION

Comforts Committee of League Sends Garments to Sailors.

Announcement was made yesterday that the comforts committee of the Navy League will continue in existence and under the name of Mrs. George Dewey, widow of the hero of Manila, send articles for the men of the navy. It is stated that the committee is taking "regardless of Secretary Daniels' effort to disrupt the organization."

More than 2,000 sets of comforts have been distributed to sailors since Secretary Daniels put the ban upon the work of the league, it was stated. This is taken to show that the league's work is of vast benefit to the men and should not be allowed to lapse because of difficulties between league officials and Mr. Daniels.

"Relying upon public opinion to sustain the justice and reasonableness of this course, we will send out articles in Mrs. Dewey's name," the league statement reads. "We see no reason whatever to expect Mr. Daniels to take action which will interfere with the work of the league, and we are confident that it will continue with entire satisfaction to the men of the navy and the women enlisted with the comforts committee in this work."

SUB ATTACK REPORT IS LABELED A MYTH

Target Practice Responsible for Story of Attack Off Nantucket.

Target practice by an American patrol boat led to the report that a "submarine was shelling a ship off Nantucket," according to indications contained in Navy Department dispatches yesterday.

Reports from every naval district on the North Atlantic seaboard have stated that, despite careful investigation in which the seas were scoured for miles, no submarine has been located and no evidence found of attack on any merchantman.

The report was picked up from three sources—two ships and a land station—in which the seas had been searched and it is believed to have resulted from some vessel hearing firing and sending out the report of firing which was misinterpreted to include a submarine.

Another explanation is that the "S" call heard might have been picked out of the air from thousands of miles away. There is no way of making such a call. Again, it was discovered that a merchant ship had been notified a shore station of its position at about the time the distress call was heard. The position of this ship was off Nantucket, and the two are believed to have been confused into a distress call from off Nantucket.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, THE WASHINGTON HERALD Will Publish the Annual Fall Fashion Number

—as an addition to the regular paper on that day.

Brimsful of authentic style talk for milady, as well as for her escort, mer man.

It will contain the news of Washington's leading merchants' best offerings, as well as their business announcements.

ORDER YOUR COPY EARLY. The Herald could not supply the last-minute demand for last spring's Fashion Edition.

War Objectors Will Dig Graves

The War Department has found use for the conscientious objectors caught in the draft. They will be the army's grave-diggers. They will be attached to the armies in the field, but will take no part in the actual fighting.

Instead, theirs will be the grim business of cleaning up the battlefields after the fighting and of burying the dead. They will also be employed in minor labors about the camps.

An euphonious name has been devised for the grave-digging corps. It will probably be known as the "mercy squadron." It will sound much better in future generations, in the War Department believes, to say that one's forbear was in the "mercy squadron" than he was a grave-digger.

In the task of cleaning up the battlefields much valuable equipment is recovered. This will be one of the mercy squadron's tasks. They will also be used in constructing rear lines. There are reported to be several thousand objectors in the conscript army.

Persons who objected on the ground of a well-defined religious belief were exempted from the draft.

The squadron of mercy comprises those who object to fighting on other grounds.

ABANDON PLAN FOR WAR BODY RAISE WAGES AT NAVY YARD

House Republicans Give Up Effort to Form Expenditures Committee.

After a series of efforts to provide a committee on war expenditures to work with the Administration, House Republicans have abandoned the plan. Whether it will be taken up again in the future is not known. The committee, if formed, would have been a joint committee, and so does the example of some of the allies.

What Representative Gillett, of Massachusetts, termed "oversight" on the part of President Wilson, is assigned by Republican leaders as the reason for dropping the plan at this time. Mr. Gillett, who has been in Congress for twenty years, declares the committee will in the end be found absolutely necessary.

"Here is what we have done in the last few weeks in the way of having over money to the executive departments," he said yesterday, "without making any provision to supervise its expenditure."

"Given \$20,000,000 for war revenue. "Given \$100,000,000 for food control. "Given authority to issue \$11,538,000,000 in bonds and certificates."

"Each time the majority tried to pass a bill, the minority tried to prevent it. The House should retain some supervision over expenditures. Each time an amendment was blocked by points of order, the chair holding the majority would be joined by the Democrats and put the plan in operation. The Senate did provide a committee of the kind for the food control bill."

"President Wilson and the administration are oversensitive on the question of a war expenditures committee."

"The committee could not be a partisan committee, because it would be of the same complexion as the administration."

"The sums I have mentioned indicate an enormous outlay. When these enormous expenditures are put into the hands of the executive, with no supervision whatever, the Congress necessarily must lose its power."

"The House is not in a position to power, compared with the executive. It is time there was some check on this unprecedented trend of affairs."

Mr. Gillett then referred to the "conduct of the war" which he said existed during the civil war. He also mentioned English examples, where executive heads are directly responsible to the legislative branch.

TURKEY'S STRENGTH GROWS, SAYS TALAT

Prime Minister Declares Industries Are in Flourishing Condition.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald, Sofia, Sept. 16.—The semi-official "Narodna Prava" publishes an interview with Talat Pasha, the Turkish Prime Minister, in which he discusses the military situation, which he describes as excellent for the central powers and their allies, and predicts that the present French, English and Italian offensives will be followed by peace negotiations.

"Turkey is able to continue the war any length of time," the Grand Vizier says. "We are stronger today than ever before, because we have had time to completely reorganize and re-equip our forces. The Russians have not attempted a new offensive in the Caucasus since the revolution, and the British advance in Mesopotamia was stopped months ago. I am, of course, not able to divulge our plans, but I may say that the fall will bring important events on our southeastern front and that we do not intend to leave Baghdad and Mesopotamia in the hands of the British forces."

"The economic and financial condition of Turkey is little to be desired and is improving steadily. We have money enough for all purposes, food is plentiful and our industries are flourishing. There is absolutely no danger of a breakdown on our side, but nevertheless we are always ready for peace."

In regard to the future relations between Bulgaria and Turkey the Pasha says:

"The alliance of the two countries was formed in the hour of political necessity, but it rests on a sound and firm foundation and will become even closer after the war. The interests of Turkey and Bulgaria are identical. Both countries need only safety and financial aid to enable them to develop their rich natural resources and to strengthen their national independence. The guarantee for their security lies in their alliance with the central powers."

Bar Foreign Priests. Mexico City, Sept. 16.—It was learned today that according to one of the clauses of the New Mexican constitution foreign priests in Mexico must either change their professions or leave the country.

GIAR ORDERED FOR PRISONER SUBMITSES; SUPRESCAPES

Troops Ready to Protect William Burgess at Trial Tomorrow.

Special to The Washington Herald. Alexandria, Va., Sept. 16.—Company G, First Virginia Regiment, this city, today received telegraphic orders from Governor Simpson, from Governors Island, N. Y., to honor its request and respond to the call of the governor or the sheriff of Fairfax County to protect William H. Burgess, colored, who will be tried Tuesday in the Circuit Court at Fairfax Courthouse, Judge J. B. T. Thornton presiding. Burgess is charged with attempted assault on two white women of Fairfax County.

For fear of a lynching, Burgess was taken Sunday, August 26, to Richmond for safekeeping. The prisoner was arrested August 25, the day following his alleged crime. He was taken by bloodhounds. That night he was lodged in the jail at Port Myer Heights, Alexandria County, and the next afternoon Gov. Stuart ordered the prisoner brought to Richmond, a detail of soldiers escorting him as far as Fredericksburg, Va.

While the plans have not yet been announced as to what part the local military company will play in protecting the prisoner, it is expected that they will escort the prisoner from Fredericksburg to Fairfax Courthouse and remain there during the trial.

Capt. Conrad Johnson has detailed fifty picked men who will guard the prisoner while he is being tried in Fairfax County.

WILSON QUITS YACHT; SPEEDS BACK HOME

Press of Work Forces Abandonment of Planned Cruise.

President Wilson returned to Washington yesterday evening by train. He left the Mayflower in New York. The President was reported to have been anxious to leave the trip aboard the Mayflower, despite the submarine rumor, but urgent business required his presence here early in the morning and he decided not to risk the danger of a trip in the often foggy Potomac last night.

Both the President and Mrs. Wilson are reported as much benefited by the first vacation they have taken since war was declared.

New York, Sept. 16.—President Wilson and his wife left the yacht, Mayflower, today to attend service at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Dr. J. William Chapman, moderator of the church assembly, preached the sermon, taking "Facing God" as his text.

"We will go a long way toward settling this world's strife when we can look upon God," he said. "Our Savior is for peace, but He is on the right side, and He will help us through. I am certain He will give us victory."

The President, joined with spirit, as did many soldiers scattered through the congregation, in singing "America." After the service all stood while President and Mrs. Wilson walked out. Crowds cheered as they entered an automobile and drove away.

U. S. FIGHTS TO END WAR, SAYS RUSSELL

Socialist Stirs Audience at Loyalty Mass Meeting.

(By the International News Service.) Philadelphia, Sept. 16.—"We are at war, and we shall be no more at war, no more kings, no more war on this earth. This is our answer to the hiss of the copperhead."

Charles Edward Russell, the noted Socialist and writer, member of the mission to Russia, thus defined the attitude of America's workers toward the war on Germany at a great loyalty mass meeting in the Garrick Theater yesterday.

The great spokesman of American workmen addressed this meeting held by the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, and so aroused the enthusiasm of the 1,600 workers crowded in the theater that they rose en masse in a pledge to push the war to victory.

In addition to Mr. Russell, the speakers were Frank P. Morrison, secretary and treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, and Clarence Darrow, lawyer, of Chicago.

SON OF RICH MAN DIES OF PRIVATION

Alone in Mansion Three Days Without Food or Water.

Washington, Pa., Sept. 16.—Claire Hunt, son of P. L. Hunt, the wealthy oil operator, died today in the hospital from suffering undergone for three days while he was sick and alone in his father's mansion, unable to secure help.

His father and mother went away Tuesday, leaving the son sick and temporarily, and leaving young Hunt to sleep in the house. Tuesday night he became ill and unable to leave his bed, and without food or water, lay until Friday night before he was able to crawl to a window and attract a neighbor's attention.

District Man Jailed On German Spy Charge

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Federal authorities are investigating the case of Max L. Goldrose, a German, of Washington, D. C., who was arrested here on the charge of posing as a Secret Service agent and trying to obtain information of the location of troops in the city.

ALIENS STILL COMING.

New York, Sept. 16.—Fred C. Howe, commissioner of Immigration at New York, issued a statement yesterday that said:

"The statistics of immigration for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1917, show 362,877 aliens entered the United States as compared with 366,748 in 1916, and 424,244 in 1915."

RUSS, REGENERATED, DRIVE GERMANS BACK NINE MILES; BRITISH WIN NEW VICTORY

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"All the military organizations and commissioners must devote their full energy solely to intense productive work. Politics must not be allowed to inject itself into our military orders and strategic commands."

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"As commander-in-chief, I call upon all the commanders, commissioners and military organizations to carry out these orders. I warn all that the nonexecution of my orders will be radically punished."

The order is signed by Premier Kerensky and his new chief of staff, Gen. Alexieff.

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JAP MISSION HONORS MEMORY OF PERRY

Impressive Ceremony Takes Place at Tomb of Admiral.

Newport, R. I., Sept. 16.—Newport society and officials extended a warm welcome today to Viscount Ishii and the other members of the Japanese Mission to the United States when they came to Newport to honor the memory of Commodore Perry, who opened the gates of Japan to the west.

Ambassador Sato, of Japan, with his suite, and many of the high officers of the United States army and navy and officials of the government were present at the ceremony at the Perry tomb.

The special train on which the Japanese statesmen arrived was met by Mayor Burdick and the staff of Gov. Beekman, and by a large attendance of citizens. The Japanese, whom was Capt. Perry Belmont, who had been in charge of the arrangements for the visit of the mission.

The commission was entertained at luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Belmont, and afterward started in automobiles for Perry Circle for the memorial service.

The ceremonies were simple. Bishop Perry spoke of the gratification of the United States to receive the mission of friendly bonds between this country and Japan. Third Assistant Secretary of State Breckinridge Long then handed a large wreath of lilies, in the name of the United States, to Viscount Ishii. The head of the Japanese mission advanced reverently and silently placed the wreath on the tomb.

FIFTEEN ARRESTED FOLLOWING MURDER

Death of William Schaeffer Occurs at New York Resort.

New York, Sept. 16.—Fifteen persons, twelve men and three women, were held by the police in connection with the killing early today of a man said to be William Schaeffer, 22 years old, whose address is said to be in Tenth street, between Washington and West streets.

The shooting took place at an early hour in front of 11 Seaside boulevard, Seaside Park, Staten Island. The slayer then climbed into an automobile and drove away.

Fifteen minutes later an automobile containing the twelve men and three women and answering the description given by witnesses of the killing was stopped at the railroad crossing at Clifton and the occupants detained. As the police have been unable to find any motive for the shooting, but it is said to have been the result of a quarrel over a woman at a party that had been in progress all night in one of the halls of the neighborhood.

Troops Hunt for Alien Plotters at Army Camp

Spartanburg, S. C., Sept. 16.—Fifty men from the 127th division, National Guard, were detailed today to hunt for alien plotters on the discovery of a conspiracy to retard the work of camp construction by causing labor troubles. The plot is said to be another development of the propaganda that resulted in fracturing away a number of negro workers by "voodoo" stories of a curse that was to descend on the negroes who continued the government work.

The superstitious blacks quit in wholesale numbers.

Soldier Killed in Row Over Game of Cards

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Private James Jarden, of Giordano, of machine gun company, provisional battalion, 158th Infantry, United States Infantry, lived barely twenty minutes after he was shot in a game of cards here today at Camp Syracuse. Reports made to the hospital, where the wounded man was removed, called the shooting an attempt at murder. The camp authorities refuse to give details. Jarden was a boy of 16.

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Why Drive Was Halted.

The capture of the Bainsizza and Monte San Gabriele were important results, it is pointed out in well-formed circles. But it is more than hinted that the Italians are now in no shape to go forward and wrest from Austria the further gains to which the Bainsizza and San Gabriele should be the key.

There was some indication here yesterday that the careful way in which the Italians have prepared for the announcement that the drive has been stopped lead up to the placing of the blame elsewhere than in Italian quarters. It was plainly hinted as a possibility that the United States and England will be blamed by influence from those quarters.

The dispatches in question have come from sources in which the Army General Staff has the greatest confidence. They tell of conditions inside.

Country Is Suffering.

Industrial inactivity because of lack of coal and other materials; closing down of factories operated by German capital—a large part of Italian industry; widespread poverty and suffering from these causes, and sections leading in some parts of the country to disintegrate in the war and even malcontent among the troops from certain sections, are reported.

In some cases, it is said, Italian troops have had to withdraw from the front because of their behavior, and not only this, the other troops that have throughout the war borne the brunt of Italy's fighting, have had to be detached to patrol sections south where poverty, due to the war, was causing trouble among the population.

Italy's army looks large on paper. In reality it is only partly effective. So on not more than 1,000,000 men—the picked troops and Bersagliers of the north—the full weight of the fighting has fallen.

FLYERS DROP FLOWERS ON COMRADE'S BIER

Beautiful Tribute Is Paid to Army Aviator.

(By the International News Service.) San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 16.—A rain of fresh flowers from the sky was the beautiful tribute paid a dead aviator, Lieut. Allen Floyd House, late assistant adjutant of Kelly Field Aviation Training Camp, who was killed in a rotor car accident by his comrades today.

A fleet of fifteen war planes maneuvering over the funeral cortege as it moved from the post chapel to the Southern Pacific depot, directed flowers in bunches from the airplanes onto the caisson bearing the flag-draped casket.

The war planes, each occupied by two lieutenants, hovered above the cortege in the form of a cross as the long military procession, representing all branches of the service, stretched out in the four-mile route from the chapel to the depot. The body was taken to Lake Charles, La., for interment.

Republican Leader Dies in Baltimore

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 16.—William F. Stone, Republican politician, well known all over the country, died here today at a hospital after a short illness. Besides being Republican leader for many years, and serving as sergeant-at-arms of the Republican National Convention, Mr. Stone held several important posts in the United States service.

Ship Reported Ashore Near Virginia Beach

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 16.—An unidentified ship is reported ashore near Virginia Beach. A rescue ship is being sent by searchlights playing on the imperiled vessel.

A heavy gale is sweeping along the coast.

Huns Are Turned Back in the Direction of Riga.

CRISIS STILL CONTINUES IN CIVIL LIFE OF NATION

Three Ministers Quit and Two Newspapers Are Suppressed by Kerensky.

BULLETIN

Petrograd, Sept. 16.—Russia is now a republic. The provisional government issued a formal declaration tonight to the effect that the country hereafter is to be considered as being governed on the republican plan.

Kerensky Marries Actress.

London, Sept. 16.—A few days after the fall of Riga, when Russia was in the throes of the crisis brought about by the loss of that port and the Korniloff revolt, Premier Kerensky took a few hours "off" to get married. The bride is Mile. Timmet, an actress, of the Alexandre Theater. This is Kerensky's second matrimonial venture.

(By the International News Service.) Petrograd, Sept. 16.—The Russian offensive on the northern front continues.

During the last five days the Russians have been driving back the German advance guards in the direction of Riga between five and nine miles.

The success of the Russian advance is taken by the Russian press to prove that the morale and physical striking power of the army is regenerated. Military critics point out that the Russians have wrested the initiative from the Germans.

Three Ministers Resign.

The central executive committee of the Council of Workmen and Soldiers' Deputies has informed the government of its decision not to allow the admission to the ministry of a single cadet. Messrs. Skobeleff, Zaroudny and Avksentiev, minister of labor, justice and interior, respectively, have definitely resigned.

The fate of Gen. Korniloff and the cadets will be decided by a special commission headed by M. Shchegolev, prosecutor of the army and navy, who has gone to army headquarters in the field.

The resignation of Gen. Kalestine, commander of the Cossacks, has not yet been confirmed. Two Bolshevik organs, Novaya Jysa (Maxim Gorky's newspaper) and Rabotchi, have been suppressed by order of the provisional government.

The consensus of the present is that the Kerensky regime is stronger today than it was before. Korniloff started his abortive attempt as a counter revolution. The newspapers, however, warn against over-optimism as the situation is still unsettled. It is emphasized that to work out a constructive program it is necessary to attract to the cabinet leading representatives of industry and commerce.

Lack of Munitions.

Italy's war industry requires steel and coal in vast quantities and it is understood that every effort is being made to secure them.

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FARMER FEUDISTS SHOOT DOWN FOUR

Two Foxhunters Killed, Two Others Wounded in West Virginia.

Fairmont, W. Va., Sept. 16.—As the result of a feud existing for some time between farmers and fox hunters of the vicinity of Riverside and Lowesville, a double tragedy occurred early this morning near Riverside when fox hunters were fired upon by unknown persons and two were killed and two injured.

The dead are Harvey Hayhurst, aged 24 years, and Fernand Thon, aged 40 years, both of Lowesville. The injured are Charles Musgrove, slightly wounded in shoulder, and James Hayhurst, brother of Harvey, who escaped in the darkness with slight wounds.

Officers have been scouring the country for the men who did the shooting and arrests are expected tonight. The trail leads to a well-known farmer's house.

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THE WASHINGTON HERALD

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